

April 24, 2012

Ways and Means Committee Office  
1102 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington D.C. 20515  
Attn: Jim Gerlach

RE: PTC Extension

Dear Jim,

I am writing on behalf of my company, G&W Electric Company, a global electrical equipment manufacturer headquartered in Bolingbrook, IL to urge Congress to extend the wind energy production tax credit immediately.

With the uncertainty of the PTC's future, we are seeing a severe decline on the part of wind development in the US that will ultimately grow into a virtual collapse in 2013 and beyond if Congress waits to extend the credit until just before or after it expires. Our company manufactures and supplies medium voltage switchgear to wind turbine manufacturers and developers which ties the turbines into the electric grid.

Should this business evaporate over the course of the next year and beyond, it will certainly impact job creation within our company. More importantly, we will be forced to limit any further expansion of this product line currently being planned to enable us to better compete with our foreign competition. However, in extending the PTC, you might also wish to consider that Congress provide enhanced tax credits for projects utilizing a larger US content of material and services over those using a majority of offshore material and services since US taxpayer monies are being used.

As you are well aware, alternatives to foreign oil imports bear more importance than simply the financial aspects. By limiting our exposure (and money paid) to unfriendly nations from whom we import energy means, we enhance our national security and self sufficiency. We strongly urge this committee to immediately take up an extension of the wind energy production tax credit.

Sincerely yours,



Regional Vice President, Northeast

G&W Electric Company